## SENATE RESOLUTION 168 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Ms. Amity Caitlin King, 2002 Co-Valedictorian of Harpeth High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Amity Caitlin King is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Harpeth High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Amity Caitlin King has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. King has earned an exemplary grade point average; her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition at Harpeth High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, a former Volleyball team player, Ms. King has been a valuable member of many organizations and programs at Harpeth High School, including serving in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Girls' Christian Devotional, International Thespian Society, Junior Civitan,

and the National Honor Society, where she served as the group's Treasurer during her 11th grade year; and

WHEREAS, an enthusiastic volunteer in her community and an active member of her Church, Amity Caitlin King has generously dedicated her time and energies to the betterment of her fellow citizens; she participated in a mission trip to New Mexico where a community church was built on a Navajo Indian reservation and to Childhaven Orphanage in Alabama where children were ministered to and she helped in a church construction project; and

WHEREAS, she served as a counselor at the Lylewood Christian Camp, and was active in community service projects for the elderly and for the underprivileged through her participation in a Service Learning Course, through Girls' Service Projects, and through the Nashville Work Camp and the South Cheatham Work Camp; and

WHEREAS, an assistant in the Children's Church Christmas play in 2001, Ms. King also worked backstage in her Church's play, *Miracle on Azusa Street*, and she was invited to join the Church's Youth Leadership Team; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being named as the 2002 Co-Valedictorian of Harpeth High School, Amity Caitlin King has received academic recognition as a member of the HHS "A" Honor Roll during all four years of her high school education, and she received a Certificate of Excellence in Biology I, Geometry, and Physical Science as a Freshman, in Advanced Theatre Arts, Algebra II, and Chemistry I as a Sophomore, and in Advanced Theatre Arts as a Junior; she also was awarded a Certificate of Merit in English I and World Geography as a Freshman, in English II and the Reading & Writing Lab as a Sophomore, and in Advanced English III and College Composition I as a Junior; as a Sophomore and a Junior, respectively, she was awarded a Diploma de Mérito in Spanish I and Spanish II, and won the United States History Advanced Placement Award as a Junior; and

WHEREAS, Ms. King was voted by her peers as the Freshman Class President, and was "Class Favorite" from 9th through 11th grades; she had the lead role in two plays, *Our* 

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Town and Fools, and was the HHS delegate for SCOPE 2001 (Student Congress on Policies in Education); and

WHEREAS, selected as the Junior Civitan Homecoming Sweetheart, Ms. King has also been nominated for attendance at the 2000 and the 2001 National Young Leadership Conference, the 2001 and 2002 National Young Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence & Diplomacy, and the 2001 Student Leadership Conference; and

WHEREAS, Ms. King's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Amity Caitlin King's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Harpeth High School Co-Valedictorian, Ms. Amity Caitlin King, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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